

## SCORPION

### In Defence Of The Sting

Imagine how you would feel if you were persecuted to the extent of having to hide away for safety (under a stone for example), and then, when having been discovered you were trodden on with great ferocity until all life were extinguished, your only defence being a rather nasty sting.....

there is a remedy.....

that has a great feeling of detachment and sense of being separate, the aetiology of which could evolve out of a history of a hard, cruel and troubled life - one that is spent low down in the pecking order, has been put down and made to feel low, one that is downcast, trodden on.

Rationally there then develops a great need to counter these feelings and a hard skin forms to protect from the harshness of reality. They do not care if they are destructive and break things/relationships etc. There is no guilt or remorse and no caring about what others think of them.

But, there remains a real need to belong, and this can only be achieved by actually reinforcing another kind of detachment - that of superiority, being critical, censorial, domineering, dictatorial, a great need to police affairs and events because efficiency must rule their work.

They cannot share with the rest because they feel their view of the world is different and they do not want to think like others.

Constantly feel detached but need to be joined. They feel alone, want to be part of but cannot because they feel the rest of the world is mad - feel defiant and will not be manipulated or distracted - emotional and intellectual tunnel vision.

In their worst state they take a very strong dislike to people and speak with malice and hatred about colleagues. They are very assertive, impatient and aggressive - not aware of hurting people's feelings and don't care anyway.

This is also a defence mechanism of Scorpion but a unhealthy one and very much part of the diseased state.

At the same time though this need to belong can bring about great sadness and anxieties for the self as well as others and this is very exhausting and so apathy and weariness develop and they cannot even enjoy what they do. Both states can exist at the same time, alternating between each other - one minute amiable, sympathetic with lots of energy, clumsy, needing comfort, the next minute they are depressed and destructive - the smallest thing can set them off - it is one of the remedies which has extreme sensitivity to noise. Panic attacks with a feeling that something terrible is going to happen.

Not surprisingly, if one is stamped on, back diseases develop; there is both restlessness and sleepiness; pains are of a stabbing nature; dreams can be sexual, violent and of being attacked – because the scorpion is looked down upon and persecuted there are also dreams of climbing (to be upwardly mobile instead of always on the ground); aversion to sunlight (prefers to hide away in the shade); body and limbs feel as if beaten and bruised.

With such sensitivity there is an abundance of physical symptoms, and, in fact, the theme of 'increasing' is relevant – perhaps as a way of reaching out, to become less detached. Secretions are increased, appetite is increased, saliva increases, sexual appetite is increased, thirst increases, heart beat increases, swellings increase.

Several species are used homeopathically and it is an ancient remedy which means, at least, that there has been some tribute to a persecuted species.

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